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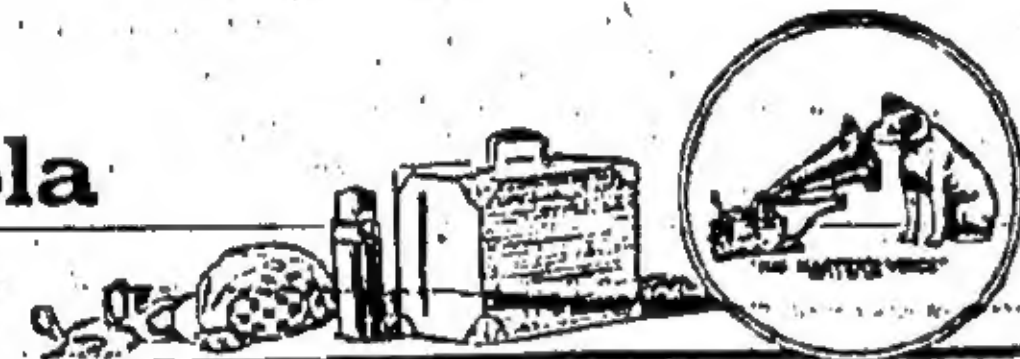
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### H. M. S. "COCKCHAFFER." COMMONS AND WANHSIEN INCIDENT.

MR. LANSBURY HECKLED.

ADMIRAL'S REPORT AWAITED.

(Reuter's Service.)

LONDON, July 2.

In the House of Commons to-day, Mr. George Lansbury M.P., asked by whose authority the commander of H.M.S. "Cockchafer" acted in connection with the Wanhsien incident. He asked if the two men concerned in the murder of Mr. Hamley had been court-martialled or otherwise tried; and asked what time elapsed between the murder and executions.

Mr. Frank Hodges replied that H. M. S. "Cockchafer" was the only war vessel present and the commanding officer took the action he considered necessary. The full written report of the British Commander-in-Chief was awaited. Mr. Hodges added, amid opposition cheers, that the American Commander-in-Chief had thanked the British Commander-in-Chief for the action taken by the commander of H.M.S. "Cockchafer", which, according to the incomplete report received, materially assisted in the saving of life.

During a riot among lighter-men at Wanhsien, Mr. Hamley, an American in the employ of Arnold and Company's branch, was killed. The commander of H.M.S. "Cockchafer" insisted that those responsible for the death of Mr. Hamley should be executed and that the commanders of the Chinese troops in Wanhsien should follow the remains of Mr. Hamley to the grave on foot. *Ed. China Mail.*

OIL! OIL!

NEW MCADOO SLOGAN.

NOISY POLITICS IN U.S.

TEN VOTES GAINED.

(Reuter's American Service.)

NEW YORK, July 2.

After four more inconclusive ballots, Mr. Bayan spoke, declaring himself for Mr. McAdoo. He named many other democrats who, in his opinion, could fill the presidency with credit. He included his brother, Charles Bryan; Senator Ralston of Indiana and Senator Walsh of Montana. He urged that this was no time for the nomination of reactionary Republicans who would get most of the conservative votes. Mr. McAdoo, he said, fulfilled the requirement of being the progressive.

Great disorder was caused by the Smith's supporters in the gallery but the McAdoo adherents applauded rapturously. One of the delegates asked about McAdoo's reputation. Doney, a counsel, said: "If any oil ever touched McAdoo," said Bryan, the intense, persistent opposition of Wall Street has washed it all away. Mr. McAdoo gained ten votes at the next ballot. The hall resounded with roars of "oil, oil" by the McAdoo supporters, amid which the session adjourned until the evening.

MCADOO'S CHANCE.

NEW YORK, July 2.

At the 31st ballot opening at the Democratic Convention this morning favouritism was divided among thirteen candidates. There was unbounded rejoicing in the McAdoo camp when, at the thirty-third ballot, the Mississippi delegation was induced to transfer its twenty votes from the Davis to the McAdoo column, where it was agreed they should stay for five ballots in order to give the McAdoo men a chance to show what they could do.

LOCK-OUT POSTPONED.

BUILDING EMPLOYERS' DECISION.

COURT OF ENQUIRY TO SIT.

(Reuter's Service.)

LONDON, July 2.

The building employers have decided to postpone the lock-out notices for a week, pending a court of inquiry.

The Minister of Labour has informed the meetings of the parties to the building trade dispute that he will cause a public court of inquiry to be held into the cause of the dispute.

A BRITISH VICTORY.

TOLLEY WINS FRENCH CHAMPIONSHIPS.

(Reuter's Service.)

PARIS, July 2.

On the Laboulle Course, the French open golf championship for the first time for seventeen years in its history has been won by an amateur. The Britisher Mr. Cyril Tolley for the 72 holes had an aggregate of 290. Hagen, American, was second with 293; Duncan twelfth 365, the American Sarazen returned 307. Ockenden, the holder, did not compete.

Tolley played very steadily throughout, his scores being 73, 73, 71, 73. The third man beat the amateur record for the course, held by the American Chic Evans, by a stroke. Hagen's figures were 75, 72, 77, 69. Sarazen in the morning headed the field with 73, 72, but to-day he took 88 and 75.

OFFENDER ARRESTED.

TOKYO, July 2.

The flag offender has been arrested at Osaka. He is stated to be a member of an anti-Bolshevik organisation.

INCIDENT CLOSED.

TOKYO, July 2.

The Tokyo police have notified the American Charge d'Affaires that the flag torn down from the old site of the American Embassy has been recovered undamaged. Two arrests on a charge of complicity have been made. The arrest of the actual offender is expected shortly. The incident is considered closed.

### JAPAN AND U.S.

RECENT FLAG INCIDENT.

OFFENDER UNDER ARREST.

WASHINGTON REMAINS CALM.

(Reuter's American Service.)

WASHINGTON, July 2.

The State Department attaches but little importance to the flag incident in Tokyo, which it declares the act of "irresponsible individuals." Confidence, however, is expressed that the Japanese Government will make the earliest opportunity to reiterate its repudiation of such incidents.

TENNIS STARS.

MORE WIMBLEDON RESULTS.

THE LADY FINALISTS.

(Reuter's Service.)

LONDON, July 2.

The weather was cloudy at Wimbledon to-day. The crowd numbered 10,000. The sole topic of conversation was the retirement of Miss Lenglen, who was a spectator at to-day's matches. By the retirement of the French player, Miss McKane, receives a walk-over into the final.

The first centre court game was the match between Raymond and Spence and Kingscott and Gilbert. The former won by 6-2, 7-5, 6-2. The African players were always the superior. Another British doubles defeat occurred when Richards and Hunter defeated Woosnam and Wheatley by 6-2, 7-5, 3-6, 6-4, while the Americans, Washburn and Williams, also disposed of Kingscott and Masters by 6-1, 6-4, 6-4.

In the ladies' doubles, Mrs. Covell and Miss McKane have entered the semi-final, by defeating Mrs. Beamish and Mrs. Hazel by 7-5, 6-1 in the fourth round.

In the semi-final ladies singles, Miss Helen Wills beat Mrs. Satterthwaite by 6-2, 6-1 and now meets Miss McKane in the final.

In the fourth round Spence and Raymond beat Norman Brookes and Fischer by 6-4, 6-3, 6-2. They thus meet the Americans, Richards and Hunter, in semi-final.

Lycett and Godfrey, the holders, beat the brothers Alonso by 6-4, 6-4, 9-7. They now meet the Americans, Williams and Washburn in the semi-final.

In the fourth round, Godfrey and Mrs. Shepherd Barron beat Hunter and Miss Charman by 9-7, 7-5. Woosnam and Mrs. Covell had a walk-over from Brookes and Mdlle. Lenglen.

Gilbert and Miss McKane beat Williams and Mrs. Wightman by 5-7, 6-2, 6-2.

Lamb and Miss Harvey beat Turnbull and Mrs. Craddock by 3-6, 6-3, 7-5.

Mrs. Wightman and Miss Wills walked over from Mdlle. Lenglen and Miss Ryan.

All the foregoing winners enter the semi-finals.

HOME POLITICS.

MUTUAL ASSISTANCE TREATY.

VIEWS OF PREMIER.

(Reuter's Service.)

LONDON, July 2.

Several questions were put to Mr. Ramsay MacDonald in the House of Commons with regard to the draft treaty of mutual assistance, circulated by the League of Nations. The Premier replied that government was not yet able to state its attitude. This was partly because it still was consulting the Dominions. He was in no wise convinced that the effect of such a treaty would not be to increase armaments. He should like to get more information on this very important point. He anyhow was convinced that this method was not the only one. He doubted if it was the best method of approaching it. He hoped to make a statement before the Summer adjournment.

CRICKET.

YORKSHIRE v. S. AFRICANS.

(Reuter's Service.)

LONDON, July 2.

At Bradford, the match between Yorkshire and the South Africans was commenced in dull weather, before 6,000 spectators, and on an easy wicket, after rain falling overnight.

Yorkshire won the toss. Rhodes compiled 54 and Robinson 95 not out, both giving an excellent all-round display in three hours and four minutes. The innings lasted four hours and twenty-five minutes.

Napen took three wickets for 53 runs. The South Africans scored 21 for the loss of one wicket.

FRANCE AND GERMANY.

STATEMENT BY NOLLET.

(Reuter's Service.)

PARIS, July 2.

General Nollet to-day told the Senate Foreign Affairs Committee that France would not accept September 30 as the date for the termination of inspection by the control commission in Germany.

WRONG MAN SHOT.

RUM-RUNNING INCIDENT.

(Reuter's American Service.)

NEW YORK, July 2.

While consignments were being packed, alleged rum-runners off Sandy Hook there was an exchange of shots resulting in the wounding of a man, named Kugach, who was in a passing motorboat. He was recovered by a hospital ship and died.

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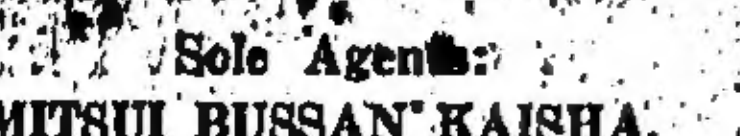
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Peopled on three sides of the Stadium so thickly that the foundations of people, with their divisions were grey rib laid on their heads, were as if it was the Empire Day of the past—for whom the festival of Empire Day is due. Every minute the tunnel was providing new colour surprise, now the hues of the Yeomen Warders of the Tower, and then the crimson of more Chelsea pensioners, smartly stepping.

The next colour was blue. It was an unsteady square that faltered and broke at times, and it moved forward very, very slowly. Yet it earned more applause than anything else in the procession. It consisted of lamed soldiers, some pitifully crippled and wearing hospital blue. On each side of all this colour were the ensigns of the Dominions.

As this stream of colour moved forward there came a drizzling rainstorm. Eyes turned to the royal box saw that the King and the Queen and the Prince of Wales declined the offer of umbrellas.

An aeroplane swept low, and the distant singing of "Lift Up Your Hearts" was heard. Then, as the mighty choir struck up the hymn "Thou, Whose Almighty Word," another procession entered.

First there was the processional cross; then the gold and purple of the Chapel Royal choir; then the white and crimson and black of other choirs, singing as they walked. Free Church divines in black, next bishops and clergy of the Church of England, and after the Bishop of London the Archbishop of Canterbury.

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## STAL PAGEANT.

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It was by the King and Queen as Prince of Wales, who stood bowed heads with other members of the Royal Family in royal box. It was heard by military band of 1,000 and their of 3,500, massed together in harmony of silence.

Dim-chelsea pensioners heard it too. Fifteen hundred people, young and old, in forty types of uniform, were conscious of the call.

Peopled on three sides of the Stadium so thickly that the foundations of people, with their divisions were grey rib laid on their heads, were as if it was the Empire Day of the past—for whom the festival of Empire Day is due. Every minute the tunnel was providing new colour surprise, now the hues of the Yeomen Warders of the Tower, and then the crimson of more Chelsea pensioners, smartly stepping.

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new a solid square of brilliantly uniformed troops broken by one avenue. It was in line with a tunnel which fed into this field of the cloth of crimson the most colourful procession ever witnessed.

It comprised every uniform with which the British public is familiar, and many with which it is unfamiliar. It surprised even the Indians, Africans, Burmese, and others from lands of colour, who were assembled in one picturesque square near the royal box.

From this magic tunnel there came first eight lines of Metropolitan Mounted Police, every horse in each line being a perfect match. Then the vivid red splash of a detachment of Canadian Mounted Police appeared, and then a large Union Jack.

It was the symbol of Empire, and was at the head of Dominion standards, borne by troops in national uniform and flanked by a picturesque Indian standard-bearer.

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## MAIL WEEK NEWS.

ITEMS FROM FAR AND NEAR.

A contract has been signed with German buyers for 1,250,000 tons of iron ore from Newfoundland.

A naval seaplane, fell into the sea at Southsea. The crew of four were rescued uninjured.

The Vienna cost of living index figure is higher than at any time since the end of the war. The cost of living is also increasing in Spain.

The King has sent £100 to the Dockland Settlements appeal fund for rebuilding and extending clubs for boys and girls at Millwall and Canning Town, E.

Seventy-eight Communists were arrested at Vilna (Lithuania) at a meeting discussing final plans for a simultaneous rising in Vilna and Warsaw.

A Bill to compel employers to employ a certain number of disabled ex-Servicemen has been presented to Parliament by Mr. Pielou (Cons., Stourbridge).

While conducting a prisoner from Cardiff to York, Corporal Barry of the Welch Regiment Depot, died as the train reached Birmingham.

An order for 12 large passenger-train engines for Brazil has been secured by Messrs. Beyer, Peacock, and Co., of Gorton, Manchester, in face of keen foreign competition.

Baron Paul d'Eoumelles de Constant, a French senator, a Nobel peace prize winner, and formerly a member of the French Embassy staff in London, has died in Paris.

Factory girls in the East End gave a performance of the Gilbert and Sullivan Opera "The Gondoliers" at the Shoreditch Town Hall, Old-street, E.C.

In receiving a deputation on behalf of the Prime Minister which urged the Government to support the second reading of the Bill to facilitate the construction of motorways, Mr. Clynes said he would bring before the Cabinet the desirability, if time permitted, of the House of Commons discussing the important principle involved.

Hot Weather Diseases.

Disorders of the bowels are extremely dangerous, particularly during the hot weather of the summer months and in order to protect yourself and family against a sudden attack, get a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy. It can be depended upon, for sale everywhere.

THE YOUNGEST FRENCH SENATOR.

M. Brugnier, just elected for the Gard Department, only reached the minimum age limit, 40, two months ago.

Political prisoners in the Irish Free State against whom charges have not been made, are being released at the rate of 50 a week, and there are only 345 now in custody. The original number was 12,000.

Modern research has led to the conclusion that there are at least 1,000 thunder-storms in action on the earth's surface at any time, said Dr. E. V. Appleton at the Royal Institution, Albemarle-street, W.

Devolution must become more and more urgent, the Parliamentary machine being utterly impossible for dealing with the growing public business said Mr. Wheatley, the Minister of Health, at Perth, Glamorgan.

Railway workers at Wolverton, Buckinghamshire, who are on short time, agreed to take any work offered them by the company, irrespective of their trades, rather than that there should be a big dismissal of men.

A steam wagon mounted the pavement at York-road, Stepney E. and ran into the front of a house. It knocked over a perambulator containing a four-months-old baby named Elizabeth House, who was killed.

A mysterious fish, about a yard long with a head like a rabbit and a black skin covered with sharp spikes resembling white ivory, has been caught by a Hull trawler. There is nothing like it in the national collection at the British Museum.

Railway passengers, excluding season ticket holders, in February numbered 85,668,382, a decrease of 1,652,643 compared with the same month in 1923, and goods carried amounted to 29,758,716 tons. The receipts from passenger traffic, however, showed an increase of £57,181.

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HONGKONG, THURSDAY, July 3, 1924.

## YESTERDAY'S GOVERNMENT DEFEAT.

Eight times now has Britain's first Labour Government been defeated in the House of Commons. Politically these setbacks are not very important because the points at issue have been mostly too small to warrant any appeal to the country, apart from which the Premier made it clear when he first took office that the Government would not feel constrained to resign over every little reverse it might suffer. Anticipating these setbacks, the Premier will be a wise statesman if he accepts them calmly. Hitherto they have not been designed to overthrow his regime—though of course his opponents would not allow a really good chance to slip away—but have been designed more to serve as warnings. So it was with the Evictions Bill

which cost the Government its first serious defeat. What the Conservatives and Liberals said in effect was this: "You can try your hand at ruling the country but there are certain things—class legislation, for instance—which you must leave alone. Your defeat to-day is a warning. If you are wise you will give heed." That the Conservatives and Liberals are showing no undue haste to unseat the Labour Government is not altogether surprising. The Liberals support Mr. Ramsay MacDonald for the same reason that they helped to put him into power. They prefer moderate Labour rule to extremist Conservative rule, and it is only when Labour begins to flirt with the ranker socialism that they join forces with the Conservatives to apply the check. Although there can be no doubt that the sterner Conservatives would have the Labour Government out of office to-morrow if a really good chance presented itself, there must on the other hand be many in the Party who would prefer to see Mr. Ramsay

MacDonald's team given a fairly long term in office. They would argue thus: Labour of course cannot wholly satisfy the electorate. Nothing but a government of supermen could do that. Before Labour came into power, the voter was always saying, "We have tried the Conservatives; we have tried the Liberals; we have even tried them together as a Coalition. We have never tried Labour yet. Let us try Labour now." If the Labour Government is thrown out after being in office only a few months, the voter will say "We have tried Labour, yes, but for how long? We will try Labour again." That is possibly why the Conservatives have refrained from pressing home the advantage when they might have seriously embarrassed the Government. Doubtless they realise that even if they forced another general election—an action which would in itself make them unpopular with the country—the result would probably be very much what it was when Mr. Stanley Baldwin's Cabinet was overthrown. The present strength of the Parties in the House of Commons, as we have pointed out before, is propitious for the country's good. The only Party which had not yet held office is bringing fresh ideas and fresh energy to old problems, but is debarred from making social experiments at a time when industrial peace and confidence are the two most urgent needs.

## Motor Irregularities.

Some months ago it was brought to the notice of the *China Mail* that certain irregularities were alleged to exist in connection with the Colony's motor traffic. The report was to the effect that at the Whitty Street tram terminus motor cars were open to hire after prohibited hours. Sunday night's appalling accident recalls to mind the supposed evil. Only recently it has been seriously stated that although a large number of authorised taxis are on the stands to cater for the Chinese at Shek-tong-lui, there are still a number of these unauthorised motor cars about. It is surmised that they have private licences numbers thereby obviating the hour limit difficulty. Whether these cars take fares without the knowledge of their owners—the suspicion being that a chauffeur is out to make some tea-money—or whether there are people who put "private" cars to improper use, should be revealed on investigation. Inquiries made by a *China Mail* representative show that small boys now tout for patronage at hours when garage cars are indoors and that when these unauthorised cars have been pulled up by traffic police, private licences have been forthcoming. We bring up the question with a view to protecting the interests of owners whose cars, unknown to them, may be illegally employed after hours.

## A Worthy Cause.

The present generation owes a debt that it can never fully repay to the ex-service men and women and their dependants, many of whom are in dire distress as a result of the sacrifices made by themselves or their relations during the anxious years of Armageddon. Earl Haig's appeal for funds to relieve this distress has met with a gratifying response on many occasions, but there still remains much to be done if the present generation intends to give full effect to the duty it owes to the distressed ex-service men and women who gave their all to save the British Empire in its hour of need. Those who fought a great fight for us and who, since the war ended, have been engaged in a scarcely less strenuous struggle against untoward circumstances, have earned our most generous sympathy. The present generation are now given a further opportunity of giving tangible evidence of their sympathy by purchasing copies of the British Legion Album. One of the leading London dailies has aptly described this book as "the world's most notable photograph album." It can be claimed, without fear of refutation, that never has so remarkable a collection of photographs been offered to the public in one volume. The price of this historic book is five shillings and the order can either be placed with your bookeller, or sent direct to Captain W. G. Willcox, M.B.E., organising secretary to Earl Haig's Appeal, 24 Eccleston Sq., London, S.W.1. Since November, 1918, Field-Marshal Earl Haig has devoted all his energies to the service of those who won victory with him. Now

nearly 600 of the famous people of to-day united to produce this moving-memorial tribute to the man who fell in the Allied cause. Artists have drawn original pictures for the album; world writers and leaders in life have contributed signatures from their works and positions, while scores of that one of the earth have given it a privilege to contril their signatures. For those who love a flutter for a modicum of a draw has been made at which the prize will be valuable original album, which has been pronounced by the London's greatest experts as priceless. Books of ten can be obtained through C. W. Willcox, whose address is given above, or from Mr. H. E. Duns, hon. sec. and treasurer of the British Legion (Hongkong China Branch), c/o Messrs. Field & Swire. In order to obtain a ticket, no time should be lost in making application.

Those who write; CORRECT those who think they are writing; do and so want to mark the following:

A Lady who had a lesson in composition from Jenson in his Bourne-mouth days some of his precepts in *Cornhill Magazine*.

"You should have fewer adjectives and more descriptive verbs. You want me to see your garden, not for pity's sake, talk about 'limbing roses' or 'green, my lawns.' Tell me, if you like, at roses twined themselves and the apple trees and fell showers from the branches. I never dare tell me again style about 'green grass.' Tell how the lawn was flecked with shadows. I know perfectly well grass is green. So does everybody else in England. What I have to learn is something different from that. Make me see what it was that made your garden distinct from a thousand others. And, by the way, while we are about it, remember one thing: 'green' is a word that forbids you to utter in a description more than perhaps once in a lifetime."

THE HANDLE, a review of the following may, or may not, be appropriate. In the early days of the Irish Players at the Abbey Theatre, Dublin, things were nearly so flourishing with them as they are now. For instance, one night he announced to the players that there were two people more in the pit that night, an three more than ever before! It was thought that the time had arrived when a pianist might be engaged. That was duly done, it the fellow never showed up at the performance. Not to babble on. Yeats went in front of the audience. A big fellow got up and walked to the piano. He spent some time looking over, and finally, Yeats asked him if he were looking for the music. "Music be damned," said the volunteer, "I'm looking for the handle!"

This reference to YEATS brings forth the following story: Arthur Sinclair, who has been one of the main props of the Irish Players for many years, knows of course W. B. Yeats the poet and playwright, exceedingly well and tells some amusing stories of him. While rehearsals for Yeats' "On Ball's Strand" were in progress at the Abbey Theatre, Dublin, difficult lighting effects were demanded by Yeats. After many weary attempts there was a sudden flare of light: "You've got it! You've got it! That's it! Hold on to it!" cried Yeats to the electrician. "Mr. Yeats," came the excited reply, "the lamp's on fire!"

## AN ADMIRAL'S ANNOUNCEMENT.

YEATS. To-day's cables announce the death of Admiral Dundas, who had a distinguished career in the Navy and was a popular figure in London society during his retirement. The gallant Admiral used to tell some good stories, the least amusing being the following:— "A naval captain, of some distinction, was cruising about London one day, when he ran alongside a nice-looking little craft, whose fair and spruce appearance attracted his attention. Saluting under her lee quarter, he slipped his anchor and, receiving a gracious reply, they bore along in company. "During the course of the afternoon, which they spent together, he took her to the theatre, where they sat in the stalls. At the end of the second act a note was handed to the captain, which he opened and read as follows:

"Dear Captain—When you have quite finished with my maid, my dress, and my best hat, perhaps you will return them all to No. 127, Park Lane—Yours truly," "The lady who had written the letter was the wife of his own admiral."

of the Guard "THE YEOMAN is soon to be produced by our local Phil. that the following story of Gilbert is probably not out of place:—

W. S. Gilbert, of Gilbert and Sullivan fame, always insisted on attractive young women being asked to his home. His wife mentioning that fact good temperately to W. Pett Ridge, the novelist (who tells the story in his book of reminiscences, "A Story Teller"), added that she felt there was cause for jealousy.

"I have explained it before to Mrs. Gilbert," said W. S., turning to Pett Ridge, "but I may as well explain it to you. I'm too good to be true."

Gilbert was asked once why a certain actor persisted in showing boisterous and extravagant amusement over everything. Moderation, it was urged, would be far wiser.

"These are the facts," said Gilbert. "He is not quite a gentleman, and he knows it, and he tries to laugh it off!"

There was a young fellow of Ealing, Who tried to walk on the ceiling;

Said his friend, Mr. Brown, "Turn the room upside down, If you wish to get rid of that feeling."

The following may not suggest Kipling, but it has none the less:—

"If I were hanged on the highest hill, Mother o' mine, O mother o' mine,

I know whose love would follow me still, Mother o' mine, O mother o' mine,

"If I were drowned in the deepest sea, Mother o' mine, O mother o' mine,

I know whose tears would come down to me, Mother o' mine, O mother o' mine!

If I were damned of body and soul, Mother o' mine, O mother o' mine,

I know whose prayers would make me whole, Mother o' mine, O mother o' mine!

One imagines that it REALLY must be a task of some difficulty to take out policy with the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company of America, inasmuch as Dr. Armstrong, of the medical staff of that organisation, is of the firm opinion that kissing is injurious to health. According to this drastic doctor, kissing and tuberculosis go hand in hand, and while osculation is perilous at any time, to kiss anybody in the morning is tantamount to clamouring for instant death. By way of some small consolation to those who have formed the kissing habit, he adds that midnight is readily the best time for the exercise. Well, really!

## LIGHTER SIDE OF THE POLICE.

Two men at Thames stated that a row arose between them and others over a discussion about trades union principles. The Magistrate: Oh, politics are always inflammatory. If you want to go on in this way you had better go into the House of Commons.

"I knew the prisoner was drunk because his eyes were dilated," said a constable giving evidence at the North London Police Court.

A wife complained that her husband kept her short of money. The Husband: You lie, and I could prove it, but you never give me a receipt.

Willisden defendant: When I got work, I passed a resolution not to drink more than half a pint of beer a day, and I've carried it unanimously.

## To-day's Poem.

(Circumstance.) Two children in two neighbour villages, Playing mad pranks, along the healthy leas; Two strangers meeting at a festival; Two lovers whispering by an orchard wall; Two lives bound fast in one with golden cas; Two graves grass-green beside a grey church tower, Wash'd with still rains and daisy blossoms; Two children in one hamlet born and bred; So runs the round of life from hour to hour. —Tennyson.

## WEATHER CALENDAR.

JULY 3.

1790. To-night I am writing to you comfortably by the fire-side, for we are forced to raise an English July. —Walpole.

## BORN TO BE PATRONISED.

It is not the mere resolution to act a part that will enable us to do it, without a natural genius and fitness for it. Some men are born to be valets, as others are to be courtiers. There is the climbing genus in man as well as in plants. It is sometimes made a wonder how men of "no mark or likelihood" frequently rise to court preferment, and make their way against all competition. That is the very reason. They present no tangible point; they offend no feeling of self-importance. They are a perfect unresisting medium of patronage and favour. They aspire through servility; they repose in insignificance. A man of talent or pretension in the same circumstances would be kicked out in a week. —Hazlitt.

## SHADOWS BEFORE.

Coming Events Advertised in The Mail.

## ENTERTAINMENTS.

July 3.—Coronet Theatre: Anita Stewart in "Sowing the Wind." July 3.—The Star Theatre: Pauline Stark in "Salvation Nell." July 3.—World Theatre: Florence Vidor and Monte Blue in "Main Street." July 3.—Queen's Theatre: Alice Lake in "Kisses." July 3.—At the "Peak Club, special engagement of Eleanor Haber, in Character Sketches, 9.30 p.m.

LAND SALE. July 7.—At P.V.D. Office, two lots of Crown Land, 3 p.m.

PUBLIC AUCTION. July 4.—Lammert Bros., at Sales Rooms, 40 pieces Chofoo silk, noon.

COMPANY MEETINGS. July 7.—Further extraordinary meeting of A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd., at Hongkong Hotel, Pedder Street, 11.30 a.m. September 16.—Extraordinary general meeting of The China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd., at the Registered Office of the Company, Pedder Street, noon.

October 3.—Second meeting of The China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd., at Co.'s Office, Pedder Street, noon.

October 20.—Third meeting of The China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd., at Co.'s Office, Pedder Street, noon.

OTHER MEETING. July 14.—Further extraordinary meeting of the Peak Club, 6.30 p.m.

## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Hall left for Sydney yesterday by the "Arafura."

A *Reuter* message from London, dated July 2, states that the Rev. Dr. Hopkyn Rees, formerly a missionary in China, is dangerously ill.

A London cable reports the death of Admiral Sir Charles Dundas, K.C.M.G. The late Admiral served on H.M.S. "Audacious," as a cadet in 1874, when she was flagship on the China Station.

When the "Suwa Maru" left here yesterday she carried among her passengers: Dr. Robinson, Mr. C. F. Andrews, Mr. H. Norion, Mr. R. R. Gibson and Mrs. D. McColl.

Messrs. Leo Shiu-pak and Leo Kiu-sang, secretaries of the Chinese Y.M.C.A., have left to attend the National Y.M.C.A. Summer School at Kuling. They will take a six weeks' course of study.

The American steamer "Sankaty," belonging to the New England Steamship Company, has been destroyed by fire at New Bedford, due to an explosion. The company's dock and freight shed were also burned. The loss is estimated at \$350,000 according to a *Reuter* message dated July 2.

Mr. Paul Page Whitlam, President and General Manager of the Asia Development Company, Ltd., has just signed a contract with the Hakata Wan Harbour Works Company of Hakata (Kyushu Island), Japan, to build harbour works and to connect a short railway from the harbour to the principal coal mines in Japan. It is expected that the work will take five years to complete and that the cost will be Yen 1,000,000.

## WORLD FLIERS.

MACLAREN REACHES FOOCHEW.

## RECEPTION AT NAVAL CLUB.

Admiral Sah Presides.

(*Reuter's Service*.)

Foohchow, July 2.

Squadron Commander MacLaren landed here without mishap under perfect weather conditions at 2.45 p.m. He met with no accidents en route. He did not follow the contour of the whole coast but struck overland from Hungwa Sound. A reception to the aviators is being given this evening at the Pagoda Naval Club. Admiral Sah Chen-ping will preside. MacLaren intends leaving for Shanghai at 6 o'clock to-morrow morning.

A later message states that MacLaren left for Shanghai at 7 a.m. to-day.

Arrived At Shanghai. As we were going to Press, a cable was received from *Reuter's*, to the effect that MacLaren had arrived at Shanghai at 11.30 this morning.

## RUN ON BANK.

## CANTON CONCERN'S TRIALS.

## PANICKY DEPOSITORS.

As a result of the panic following the suspension of payment by the Chinese Merchants Bank in Canton, the Kwangtung Savings Bank has experienced a severe "run" and on Tuesday a notice was issued to the effect that business would be stopped temporarily.

According to the vernacular papers, depositors, mostly with savings accounts, began to feel alarmed and the amount drawn out increased day by day until towards the end of June, when there was a palpable rush at the bank's premises in the Western Suburb. Before the July 1 holiday, it was rumoured that the bank would have to suspend business as it could not realise its assets to meet the immediate calls and on Tuesday the notice came out as expected.

Rumour has it that the Bank has assets in real estate, etc., which will more than on-set all Canton claims.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

According to our special correspondent, Canton pen-brush makers have carried their demands for higher wages.

Health returns show that during last week there was one death from small pox; one death from diphtheria, one death from spinal fever and one from puerperal fever. They were all Chinese.

Two of the Hongkong Volley Ball League schedules finished last week, Queen's College and the Ellis Kadoorie School winning the Senior League and Small Boys' League Championships.

Our special correspondent writes that General Chau Ching-ching, who has been district magistrate of Shuntak for the last two years, recently bought land at Fanling in the New Territory, and will shortly start a farm there upon his retirement from official life.

A *Reuter* message from London says that it is understood that a meeting of the Committee of Imperial Defence yesterday, attended by all members, in addition to the ex-Premiers, Mr. Baldwin, Mr. Lloyd George and Mr. Asquith, negotiated the proposal to build a channel tunnel.

At Messrs. Lammert Bros' auction rooms, yesterday afternoon, the s.s. "Derwent," of 2,110 tons register and 1,562 tons gross was sold to the Tung Tai Company for \$92,000. The vessel, of British registry, was built by Messrs. Thompson & Co., Sunderland, in 1879. She has accommodation for 12 first, 20 second and 1,063 third-class passengers.

At the monthly meeting of the General Committee of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce this week, special reference was made to the death, since the last meeting, of the late Mr. A. R. Lowe. It was decided to enter upon the minutes of the Chamber a record of Mr. Lowe's valuable services to the Chamber and to the public, and to address a letter of condolence to the widow.

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## STEAMER COLLISION.

## ACTION FOR DAMAGES CONTINUED.

## A QUESTION OF "RACING."

At the resumed hearing in Admiralty Jurisdiction to-day of the claim of the Lai Hing Steamship Company Ltd. for damages from the Indo-China Steam Navigation Co. in respect of a collision between their steamer "Apocry" and the "Tai Sang" Mr. Eldon Potter K.C. (for the plaintiffs) dealt with the allegation of "racing" brought against them by defendants. The allegation was based on the fact that when the "Tai Sang" passed, the "Apocry" began to overtake, and got to within two or three lengths astern of the starboard port. There was nothing wrong in overtaking a ship, said Mr. Potter, it just what the "Tai Sang" had done.

## CAPTAIN FRASER'S EVIDENCE.

The evidence of Captain Fraser of the "Apocry" (given in Chambers prior to his being invalided home) was read. This stated that when the ships got close together off Amhurst Point witness went to the bridge with the intention of slowing speed and allowing the "Tai Sang" to get ahead. When the "Tai Sang" began to swing to starboard her engines were put astern and this had the effect of making her swing more rapidly.

The "Apocry" was then put astern and hard a port. She was on the mud before the "Tai Sang" hit her. The starboard bow of the "Tai Sang" came into collision with the port bow of the "Apocry". In cross-examination, Captain Fraser had said that it did not matter to him whether the "Tai Sang" or the "Apocry" got to Canton first. If there was any alteration in the speed of the ships it was by the "Tai Sang". The "Apocry" was going full speed all the time.

## (ENQUIRY PROCEEDING.)

## BANKRUPTCY COURT.

## CHINESE AND FRENCH BANKS IN TROUBLE.

The affairs of the Chinese Merchants Bank Ltd. came before His Honour, Acting Chief Justice H. J. Gompertz, sitting in Bankruptcy Legislation this morning, when a petition was presented for the winding up of the Bank in the name of Tong Set-woong of 180 Queen's Road Central. The petition showed that the Bank was indebted to the petitioner for \$473,111, balance standing to his account, and interest.

Mr. Campbell Prosser, in presenting the petition and asking for a winding up order, asked for the assistance of the Official Receiver as Liquidator and of Mr. John Fleming, chartered accountant of Messrs Lowe, Bingham and Matthews, as the special manager.

The bank, he said, had a nominal capital of a million dollars consisting of 40,000 shares of \$25 each, which had been increased later.

The bank had carried on business here and also at branches at Canton, Saigon, Shanghai and other places. In accordance with instructions cabled from New York, the Bank had closed its doors.

The application was granted. BANQUE INDUSTRIELLE. There was an echo of the Banque Industrielle de Chine scandal when an application was made for a further adjournment for six months of the hearing of the winding-up petition.

Mr. Campbell Prosser, in making the application, said that the creditors had approved a scheme in December of last year by which bonds were to be issued on the security of a portion of the Boxer Indemnity, but the Bank had not been able, through some unforeseen difficulties, to issue those bonds. They were, therefore, not able to apply to the Court for sanction.

He applied for an adjournment until Jan. 5, 1925 and this was granted.

## EPINARD TO U.S.

A Reuter despatch states that Epinard, the French crack racehorse, embarks at Southampton on July 4, for America, where the French champion will compete in a series of races with American horses.

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## GRAFT.

## U.S. OFFICIALS IMPRISONED.

## CONSPIRACY WITH BOOTLEGGERS.

(Reuter's American Service.)

NEW YORK, July 2. G. B. Means, formerly an agent of the Department of Justice, and his Secretary, Elmer Jarnecke, have been convicted of conspiring with bootleggers to withdraw whiskey from distilleries. They were sentenced to 2 years imprisonment and fines of \$5,000 and \$10,000 respectively.

## HUNGARY.

## SCHEME TO ASSIST REHABILITATION.

## BOND ISSUE IN LONDON.

(Reuter's Service.)

LONDON, July 2. The London portion of the big loan to assist in the rehabilitation of Hungary, amounting to \$7,500,000, bearing 7½ per cent. interest on sterling bonds, at the issue price of 88, redeemable between 1934-1944, was issued to-day.

The lists closed this morning. This is about 70 per cent. of the loan, the balance of which is divided between various other countries.

The New York portion, \$7,500,000, was issued simultaneously with the London portion.

## RENTS IN CANTON.

## TENANTS SEEK PROTECTION.

(From Our Special Correspondent.)

The Canton authorities may not sanction the formation by the rent-payers in Canton of the proposed Tenants Protective Association. The object of the proposed organization, as formally stated to the public, is to consider the rights of tenants and protect them from unreasonable encroachments by the landlords. It now appears that the landlords are dominating the provisional organization and the real purpose of the promoters is to oppose further appropriation by the government of rent proceeds due to the landlords. It may be recalled, that since the return of Dr. Sun Yat-sen to power in Canton, rent which properly belonged to the landlords. There is now a talk of Dr. Sun trying to do a similar thing the fifth time, and some landlords hope that they may be able to oppose the measure in the names of tenants, instead of landlords. As the tenants in Canton are never friendly to the landlords, who have been accused of excessive charge in their rates, it will not be hard for Dr. Sun to say to them, "Pay your rents to me, and take my receipt to your landlords."

## CHINA'S ROBBERS.

## SOLDIERS ROB TOWN OF KAUKONG.

(From Our Special Correspondent.)

The well-known West River town Kaukong, one of the few inland ports in Kwangtung having direct steamship service with Hongkong and other cities in the South, closed its shops on June 29 to avoid military interference. Only a few months ago the merchants volunteers corps of that town were disarmed by Yunnanese mercenaries stationed there who stole a large quantity of public property, and set fire to the villagers' homes after robbing them. Apparently they were not satisfied and now are occupying private premises and exacting new taxes, including an assessment of \$6.50 or more on silk cocoons exported from this town.

## UNIQUE BOWLS.

## LOCAL CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH.

-21 POINTS TO 0.

What must be regarded as a unique lawn bowls match was played off on the Civil Service Cricket Club's green yesterday afternoon when Mr. Mill of the C.S.C.C. beat Mr. Lee of Craigen-gower C.C., in the first round of the Colony's championship, by 21 points to nothing.

The game only lasted a few minutes and only a few heads were played—nine it is believed—before the score was run up. Mr. Mill did not have any extraordinary luck and it was his skill more than anything else which gave him his abnormal victory—and entry into the second round.

## BEHIND THE SCENES.

## LOCAL MOULDERS' STRIKE.

## UNDOE INFLUENCE USED?

Allegations of attempts to exercise undue influence behind the scenes have been made in connection with the local strike of moulders at shipyard and engineering establishments. It is not hinted that there has been open intimidation but rumours have got around that some of the workmen were not willing to force a strike and they had to be "reasoned with" before they would down tools.

From inquiries made to-day it does not appear as if either the European or Chinese employers on the one hand, and the several hundred workmen, on the other, have made any advances. Also there is no indication at present that the strike will spread. In this connection it is interesting to recall the fact that the local Chinese Engineers' Institute, which claims to have been registered in London, embraces only four of the ten branches of the engineering trades. However, all the subsidiary guilds are affiliated to the Engineers' Institute in Canton with headquarters on Honan Island.

When the demands were first presented, it was announced that some of the associated sub-guilds had promised moral support but declared that they would not strike because they "were not prepared."

One or two of the Chinese establishments are reported as having expressed willingness to give the increases asked for but a deadlock was reached on the question of a nine-hour day and double pay for Sunday work. The European establishments' counter-offer of a bonus scheme has been rejected.

## OBITUARY.

## PRINCE MATSUKATA.

A telegram from Tokyo announces that Prince Matsukata died there last evening.

The late Prince, a former Lord Keeper of the Seal 1917-1922, and one of the *Genro*, (elder statesmen), was born at Kagoshima in 1840. He was connected with the Treasury soon after the advent of the Meiji era. From 1881-1891 he was Minister of Finance. In the latter year, he formed a Cabinet and during the war with China (1894) was again Minister of Finance. His second Ministry 1896-1897 was memorable for the establishment of a gold mono-metallic standard. In 1902 Prince Matsukata travelled in Europe and America. He was President of the Japan Red Cross Society from 1903 to 1912. He is succeeded by Iwao, his eldest son, who is President of the Fifteenth Bank, and Vice-President of the Tokyo Bankers' Association. He was born in 1862.

## SCARED OFF.

## ROBBERS DISAPPEAR ON SOUND OF WHISTLE.

Two would-be robbers who walked into a shop at 12, Queen's Road East at six o'clock this morning made a hurried exit when the shopkeeper, Ching Sheung, blew his police whistle. One of the men entered first and asked for some cigarettes. He was admitted by the shopkeeper's wife after tapping lightly at the door. Two minutes later his accomplice walked in and without ceremony produced a butcher's knife, the leader at the same time drawing a revolver. They threatened the woman and demanded the keys to the safe. She replied that she had not the keys and the robbers proceeded to shut the door and make preparations for a thorough looting of the store. The old shopkeeper sized up the situation immediately and blew loud and long on his police whistle. The intruders made a quick disappearance without stealing anything.

## MORE STOWAWAYS.

## FILIPINOS GO TO JAIL FOR 6 WEEKS.

Three more Filipino stowaways appeared before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning. It was alleged that during their passage from Manila in the "President Grant" they damaged some of the cargo in the hatch.

Mr. A. Briddon, Harbour Superintendent for the Admiral Loke pressed for a heavy sentence.

Inspector Spear said the steamship company was prepared to tranship the men to Manila.

Copies of the newspapers, the inspector added, would be sent by the company to the authorities in Manila in order to show that proceedings had been taken against the stowaways.

The Filipinos were sent to jail for six weeks.

## SUB-LETTING EVIL.

## "A WICKED THING" SAYS SOLICITOR.

## A SUMMARY COURT CASE.

Mr. C. A. S. Rus, at the Summary Court this morning protested against the "extraordinary manner in which certain tenants are trying to take advantage of the Rents Ordinance by padding at the expense of the landlord." The Legislature, said Mr. Rus, never contemplated that the fact would be that monthly tenants, paying small rents, should behave in such an unconscionable manner as they were by sub-letting and demanding a huge premium for the privilege of taking over the premises.

In the cases in which he was appearing that morning the chief tenant, paying a rent of only \$35 a month, had attempted to sell his "right" to the premises for \$700 although they did not belong to him and he had not spent a cent on them. "And this," said Mr. Rus, "was after he was under notice to quit. It is a wicked thing that tenants should be in the position of making money out of their landlords' property like this and yet it is being done both at home and in this Colony."

## NOT A CONTRAVENTION.

His Honour (Justice Dyer Ball): However morally indefensible it may be, it has been decided, I think, that it is not a contravention of the Ordinance.

Mr. Rus: I am aware of that, but I mention it to show that the tenant has no case on the grounds of sympathy.

The case was one in which Wong Shun Yut-ting claimed possession of the first floor of 7 On Lan Street from the chief tenant (Lau Kai-to).

Mr. Rus said that the arrears of rent (\$140) originally claimed had been paid into court when the writ was served. No attempt had been made to pay this rent (which was for four months) although the rent collector had called several times. When the arrears were paid into court no plea of tender was made and nothing said of costs.

Mr. W. B. Hind (for defendant) denied that the allegations regarding sub-letting had any relevance to the case. He put his client in the witness-box and he denied that he had told the landlord that he was trying to get \$700 premium for his right to the premises. He also denied that he had made any endeavour to do so.

His Honour found judgment for the plaintiff and allowed the tenant a fortnight in which to get out.

## ACID ASSAULT.

## MAN ATTACKED IN STREET.

Shortly after eight o'clock on Monday night some Europeans heard police whistles being blown in a street behind Leys Buildings, Kowloon. Promptly making inquiries they found on the first floor of one of the houses a man with a cut face who said that he had been assaulted by half a dozen men in the street. The men set upon him, he said, in consequence of some trouble over a woman, and they threw a corrosive liquid into his face. The matter has been reported to the police.

## DROWNING ACCIDENT.

## CHINESE YOUTH GETS OUT OF HIS DEPTH.

An eighteen years-old boy, Foo Kung-chen, living at 37 Upper Lascar Row was drowned at Kennedy Town yesterday afternoon.

According to a Police report he entered the water at the public beach and though he could not swim, went out of his depths and disappeared.

## COMING HERE AGAIN.

## PORTUGUESE AVIATORS' PLANS.

## VISIT TO CANTON.

From inquiries made by the China Mail at the office of the Consul General for Portugal, Hongkong, it is gathered that the three Portuguese aviators who flew from Lisbon to the Far East, namely Major Brito Paes, Major Sarmiento de Beires and Lieut. Manoel Souveia, will be back in Hongkong again on Monday next.

It is expected that the aviators will make a trip to Canton where they are to be entertained by their compatriots. According to the latest arrangements, the fliers will return to Hongkong from Canton. Plans have already been completed for the reception by the Hongkong Portuguese community. An official presentation is in the hands of a committee of which Mr. C. A. da Rosa, is secretary, and the date of the ceremony will be Thursday, July 10.

## "WHEN I SAY NO."

## MAGISTRATE AND A STUBBORN WITNESS.

When a Chinese woman was charged before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning with hawking without a licence she was asked if she had any previous convictions.

Her first answer was "No," she had not, and she was sure about it.

Her second answer was also in the negative and she was positive about it.

Mr. Hamilton gave the woman a chance to rekindle her memory and asked her again.

This time the woman replied. When I say "no" it is "no!"

Mr. Hamilton stared at the interpreter with amazement.

Addressing the woman, who had been proved to be an old offender, the Magistrate said: "When I say \$5 for contempt of Court, it is \$5."

The woman will not forget her conviction this time. It cost her \$10 for the hawking offence and \$5 for contempt of Court.

## PALMISTRY.

## WHERE QUICKNESS OF THE HAND FAILED.

In a case in which a hawk was charged at the Central Magistracy this morning with failing to close his stall at the proper hour and also with offering a ten-cent bribe to an Indian constable, it was stated that on the way to the Police station the hawk offered the policeman more money if he would let him go.

The constable said that the hawk asked him to open his palm in order that he could put thirty or forty more cents in it. The palm was opened and the original ten cents disclosed. The hawk then made a grab for the ten cents, but missed and the strong arm of the law grasped the culprit tighter.

Mr. Lindsell imposed a fine of \$9 and ordered the ten cents, bribe money to go to the Poor Box.

## LEAGUE TENNIS.

## I.R.C. (A.) v. N.T.C.

Playing at home yesterday, in the second division of the Tennis League, the Indian A. team beat the Netherlands Tennis Club by 66 games to 33. Scores:—

J. S. A. Curreen and S. A. R. Ismail (I.R.C.) beat Groot and Bonnerman 8-3, beat De Leeuw and Egmarud 8-3, lost to Nikkels and Heinzen 4-7, (20-13).

A. H. Nada and J. A. Razack (I. R. C.) beat Groot and Bonnerman 6-5, beat De Leeuw and Van Egmarud 7-4, beat Nikkels and Heinzen 7-4, (20-13).

Y. A. Wahab and S. A. Hussain (I.R.C.) beat Groot and Bonnerman 9-2, beat De Leeuw and Van Egmarud 8-3, beat Nikkels and Heinzen 9-2, (26-7).

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## PEACE FOR CHINA.

SIR ROBERT HO TUNG'S  
CAMPAIGN.

## INTERESTING INTERVIEW.

A correspondent of the "Manchester Guardian" writes:—

Sir Robert Ho Tung, who was born in Hongkong 62 years ago, and who was knighted in recognition of his long public services to the colony and of his help in the war—has given two aeroplanes and two motor-ambulances to the nation. As a Commissioner for Hongkong at the British Empire Exhibition, he made his way from a humble position on the indoor staff of the Chinese Customs until he reached a prominent place in the commercial life of his native city. He acquired a good knowledge of English at the Hongkong Central School, where he was a pupil from the age of twelve till he was seventeen, and after serving in the Customs he took to commerce, in which he made rapid progress, and is now one of the wealthiest men in the Colony and a director of many of the principal business concerns. Often consulted on financial and industrial projects by high Chinese officials, he is noted also for his liberal assistance to many philanthropic organisations, as well as to the cause of education. He has given handsomely to the Hongkong University Endowment Fund, and has been a generous friend to sufferers from flood, famine, and typhoon in Hongkong and North and South China. In 1922 he played a leading part in the settlement of the seamen's strike at Hongkong. To a "Manchester Guardian" representative Sir Robert gave an outline of his work in furtherance of the restoration and unification of China, and also made interesting reference to the question of Lancashire trade in the East.

"I began active campaigning in the cause of peace," said Sir Robert, "last July. My idea was to get the military, the police, the leaders of the various political parties, to stop the fighting which more or less regularly has seriously affected China for about twelve years, that is to say, since the establishment of the Republic. One result, of course, of this internecine warfare has been to cripple the financial position of China. She is, in a word, unable to meet her liabilities—does not, in fact, pay her debts, unless they are those for which the Customs revenue is security. The prolonged warfare has brought about a state of exhaustion financially, necessitating considerable local taxation.

"This has been gradually increasing," said Sir Robert, smiling, as he remarked that the finance officials were very wise, managing to get a good deal of the taxes paid in advance. "And it sometimes happens," he added, "that if one leader is defeated the taxpayers in what may be called the victor's sphere of influence find their receipts from the tax-gatherer treated as waste-paper and they have to pay over again.

No Great Issue To Fight About. "As to the aim of all this fighting I can only say that it is the passion for power—there is really no great issue beyond that. In all, there are about half a dozen mutually hostile parties, of whom three are fighting almost continuously at present all over the country. A leader may have control of three or four provinces, and within his own area, if not attacked, will just be sitting tight, and the people in these provinces have peace for the time, at any rate."

Sir Robert explained that he set about the work of urging the unification of the country single-handed. "I began," he said, "after the Lincheng affair, in which, it will be remembered, some 30 foreigners—Europeans or Americans—were kidnapped by bandits on the Tientsin-Pukow railway in the province of Shantung. After several weeks, during which they were held to ransom, they were released as the result of an arrangement between the bandits and the authorities."

And again Sir Robert showed a grimly humorous appreciation of the situation, as he remarked: "I think the bandits got their price, while their leader was taken into the army for a while, until about two months ago he committed some small offence for which he was shot. And that," he added, "was how they got rid of him."

"I had long had the idea of a movement to make 'China' one united nation, and this bandit episode set me going on it, inasmuch as it gave rise to a proposal—or, at least, an agitation—on the part of the foreign residents that the Powers should assume control of the railway with Europeans as guards. My criticism of the scheme was that at best it could only be a superficial affair, which would really not touch the problem of how China was to put her house in order. It would, for example, have no effect whatever on the fighting that was going on up and down the country.

A Conference at Shanghai. "Accordingly, what I did was to write to the leaders of the several political parties about the end of July suggesting that they should all meet at a round-table conference. A good many of them responded sympathetically, so that in September I went to Shanghai, the most central and important meeting place, to meet the leaders and to ascertain the drift of popular feeling in a city with well over a million population."

Once more Sir Robert touched on the lighter side of a business that was to him very serious. "At Shanghai," he said, "I met with anything but encouragement at first. 'You had better go back to Hongkong,' people said, as they described my scheme as impracticable. If not, indeed, Quixotic. But they changed their tune after they had good talks with me and realised that I was in earnest. I put the case before many of the leading merchants and other prominent people, and, after much spade work I received an invitation to go and see three of the most important fighting leaders in the centre of China, one of whom was, in fact, the principal military personage."

"Two of the three approved of my scheme; the third thought the time not ripe for the suggested conference, and I suppose he will go on fighting."

"It is impossible at present to give any definite estimate of the extent to which the various parties are becoming converted to the principle of unification, but I do know that headway is being made through the Press and influential people."

"There is certainly no animus against me personally, for I think I may say that all parties recognise that I am actuated by no selfish motive, but have taken up the work sincerely desiring the good of the country. There is no 'graft' as the Americans say, in the business, or, as you say, there are leaves and fishes. I may add that my campaign has been the freer from hostile criticism because it is generally known and recognised that I have never been allied to any political party."

Sir Robert recognised that much remained to be done before his idea could be realised, but he is determined to keep pegging away, and is very hopeful of ultimate success.

The Cotton Trade. Asked for his opinion on the state of the cotton trade in China, Sir Robert, who has a wide commercial experience, reminded me of the "slump" (as he put it) in the Chinese cotton mills, which was due, he said, to two causes.

"In the first place," he said, "raw cotton prices have been exceptionally high. And in the next there has been a good deal of over-building by the Chinese themselves. They had enough capital to build the mills, but not enough

to keep them going. And so it happens that they cannot in many cases keep the stocks for a rise, but have to close down.

"Towards the end of this year I think we shall see a better prospect for Lancashire trade, provided, of course, that we do not have much more severe fighting. And on that point, I am afraid, nobody can speak with certainty. Then there is also the question of the bandits and pirates, who must be stamped out. Some of the troops get no pay, and finding themselves in need they turn bandits or pirates. It pays them better in some cases."

## CORRESPONDENCE.

## "BARE JUSTICE."

[To the Editor of the "China Mail."]

Sir,—With reference to your leaderette on the above subject I beg to leave to require your own words.

"It has often struck us as an anomaly that one of twins whose parents were married a minute before its birth, was legitimate, while the other child born a minute after the marriage ceremony would be branded with the stigma of illegitimacy.

The italics in the above passage are yours, the capitals are mine. Now Sir can you tell me, if, as you state in your article, this is an "extreme case" why both children should not be legitimate seeing that they are both born together one minute after the marriage ceremony?

Yours etc.

"QUIZZIKUS."

[Note: We thank our correspondent for calling our attention to the slip.

In place of AFTER should be read before. The sentence in question would thus read: It has often struck us as an anomaly that one of twins whose parents were married a minute before its birth, was legitimate, while the other child born a minute before the marriage ceremony would be branded with the stigma of illegitimacy.—Ed. China Mail.]

## NO PASSPORT.

[To the Editor of the China Mail]

Sir,—With regard to yesterday's case in which a Spaniard was sentenced to 4 months' imprisonment for not being in possession of a passport, I see from your report of the case that certain documents belonging to the defendant were not disclosed. If upon these documents in particular the magistrate meted out this severe sentence, I do not see the point why the disclosure of these documents was not made. In big cases in England, documents belonging to a prisoner are put in to the Court as an exhibit and no matter how severe and sensational are the contents of a document, they are always disclosed.

The Inspector in charge of yesterday's case, (according to the report) simply asked for a severe penalty, and an explanation, which would be a satisfaction to the public, was entirely overlooked.

Yours etc.

JUSTICE.

Hongkong, July 2

## STAGE PLAY FILMED.

"SALVATION NELL" AT STAR.

The reputation which the Star Theatre has earned for showing good pictures is fully sustained in the latest feature attraction, "Salvation Nell," the film version of the well-known stage play. Among other things, "Salvation Nell" offers some very fine acting, notably realistic settings, and a story brimful of human interest. These attractions are not surprising when it is remembered that the picture, which incidentally bears the First National imprint, is staged in the depths of New York's East Side, where little human dramas are being unfolded every day amidst settings which give the cinema producer unusually arresting backgrounds. "Salvation Nell" is the story of a young woman who loses her position in the establishment of "Hash House Sal" through her devotion to a drunken lover, and after several hardships, joins the Salvation Army. Her lover, meanwhile has been sent to jail, and when he comes out is planning an armed robbery. Dramatic incidents lead to the climax and the picture closes with the happiness of the reformed and the reformed. That may not strike the average reader as a very exciting theme, but considerations of space have made it impossible to mention the many little incidents, moving and exciting, that contribute to the picture's very powerful human appeal.

to keep them going. And so it happens that they cannot in many cases keep the stocks for a rise, but have to close down.

"Towards the end of this year I think we shall see a better prospect for Lancashire trade, provided, of course, that we do not have much more severe fighting. And on that point, I am afraid, nobody can speak with certainty. Then there is also the question of the bandits and pirates, who must be stamped out. Some of the troops get no pay, and finding themselves in need they turn bandits or pirates. It pays them better in some cases."

## HAINAN MURDER.

## REV. BYERS' DEATH.

## BANDITS ISSUE THREAT.

WENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS  
DEMANDED.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

HONGKONG, HAINAN, June 28. Our previous report told of the killing by bandits of Rev. Geo. D. Byers in the Kachek mission compound, the night of June 24.

Rev. D. S. Tappan and Rev. J. F. Steiner, American missionaries with a party of Chinese and an escort of soldiers, started for Kachek on Wednesday, the 24th for the purpose of escorting the Byers and the children to the port. They reached Kachek by noon of the second day. They found that no further depredations had taken place.

A memorial service was held on Thursday afternoon, in Kachek, and was much attended. The merchants presented banners and paid respect to the memory of the departed missionary.

Friday the body was started on its journey to the port and Mrs. Byers and the four children, attended by Rev. J. F. Steiner, started the following morning.

A memorial service will be held here on Sunday afternoon, June 29, and the internment will take place in the local foreign cemetery.

The outrage took place in this wise: On Tuesday evening soon after dark Mr. Byers made his rounds of the compound and returned to his house. Just as he put his foot to the step, a noise was dropped over his head. Mr. Byers resisted and was dragged some distance and the shooting took place. Mrs. Byers hearing the shots came down from upstairs and as she came out of the house, saw at least three men flee. They dropped two Mauser pistols as they ran. Mr. Byers was taken into the house and lived about an hour.

After Messrs. Tappan and Steiner arrived the bandits sent in a threatening letter demanding \$20,000 or they would burn the whole mission compound. This seemed to be the amount of the ransom they expected to ask for Mr. Byers. The letter was not taken very seriously as there is a good force in Kachek and the compound is strongly guarded.

## SEISTAN ENQUIRY.

## STRANDING ATTRIBUTED TO SET OF CURRENT.

Evidence was given by the Captain and other officers of the s.s. "Seistan" at the Marine Court of enquiry yesterday into the circumstances attending the stranding of the ship in the early morning of June 13. The finding of the court will be announced later.

The Court consisted of Lieut.-Commander Conway Hake, (President), Lieut.-Commander C. R. H. Harvey, O.B.E., Superintendent of the R.N. Coast Dept.; Mr. J. R. Gorrie, late master of the s.s. "Suisang" and Mr. G. G. Morse, master of the s.s. "Kiangsu."

Mr. G. K. Hall Brutton appeared for the Captain of the "Seistan" (Captain D. Thomas) and Mr. T. T. Laurensen attended on behalf of the China Coast Officers' Guild.

Captain Thomas in evidence said that he had made many trips on the same run, always steering the same courses and passing clear of the islands between one and two miles distant. He ascribed the stranding to the set of the current. The set closely approximated 1 1/4 miles in 2 1/2 hours, with a strong wind on the port bow. No soundings were being taken and the syren was being used. The official log was then handed up for inspection.

The Second Officer and the look-out seaman gave evidence; the former stating that if there was any error in the log it was negligible as it was invariably read by the quartermaster who was thoroughly reliable.

The Court then rose.

## COUNTY CRICKET.

## CHAMPIONSHIP TABLE.

Including All Matches To July 2.

County.	Points obtained.	Possible points.	Average.
Yorkshire	38	50	76.00
Middlesex	41	55	74.54
Lancashire	45	65	69.23
Sussex	45	65	69.23
Surrey	28	45	62.22
Somerset	34	55	61.82
Nottingham	29	50	58.00
Warwickshire	22	40	55.00
Leicestershire	27	50	54.00
Kent	32	60	53.33
Gloucestershire	22	55	40.00
Northamptonshire	11	35	31.43
Essex	13	50	26.00
Gloucestershire	14	55	25.45
Hampshire	12	50	24.00
Worcestershire	9	65	13.85
Derbyshire	7	55	12.73

## "TOUCHY" SUBJECT.

## THE STATUS OF CHINESE WIVES.

In the course of a Summary Jurisdiction case yesterday, Mr. C. A. S. Russ, solicitor for one of the parties gave a lengthy explanation of the different denominations of Chinese wives and their individual status. Some very piquant descriptions were applied to a number of individuals who were alleged by Mr. Russ to have assisted in "trespassing" on his client's premises. First of all he referred to them as parasites. Later on he mentioned "hangers-on." When His Honour Mr. Justice A. Dyer Ball in making a query asked Mr. Russ if he (Mr. Russ) meant the "followers-on" Mr. Russ replied "I am sure my friend," indicating Mr. D. McCallum, "will call them chivalrous gentlemen."

Mr. Russ appeared for Fung Him-man of 49, Peel Street, who claimed \$1,000 for trespass from Chan Leung Shi, a widow of No. 18, Matheson Street. Plaintiff's claim was that he was the sole surviving partner of the Kung Wo Tung medicine shop whose premises at 18, Matheson Street had been trespassed upon by defendant.

For the widow, represented by McCallum, a counter-claim was filed. Trespass was denied defendant stating that she was the personal representative of Chan Tak who was now deceased and who, prior to his death, was the sole proprietor of the shop.

Outlining his case Mr. Russ said that the deceased man referred to had three wives and three shops, No. 18, Matheson Street being one of the shops. His first wife, i.e., the Kit Fat, died leaving a daughter who had since married and accordingly, in the eyes of Chinese custom and practice, passed without the pale of the deceased's estate. Deceased married a second wife, a Tin Fong, who was the defendant in the present action. A Tin Fong, Mr. Russ explained, was a wife who took the place of a first wife who had died. Defendant had no male issue and it was Mr. Russ's contention that by Chinese usage, she was not a fit and proper person to be granted letters of administration. Deceased also took unto himself a Ping Chai which was "an elevated sort of concubine sometimes put on the same footing as a Kit Fat or Tin Fong."

Plaintiff had been an old servant of deceased from whom he had purchased a three-tenth share in the shop and according to Mr. Russ, he and his folk had been driven from their shop by defendant and her guard of parasites.

Mr. McCallum's defence was that as defendant was the Tin Fong wife of the deceased she was clearly entitled to letters of administration according to English law.

Evidence was given and His Honour reserved judgment.

## TENNIS LEAGUE.

## RESULTS TO DATE.

Below will be found the Tennis League tables for both divisions brought up to June 30.

1ST DIVISION.				
	P.	W.	L.	PTS.
U.S.R.C.	5	4	1	4
Indian R.C.	3	2	1	2
K.C.C.	3	2	1	2
Chinese R.C.	3	0	3	0
University	3	0	3	0
Hongkong C.C.	1	0	1	0

2ND DIVISION.				
	P.	W.	L.	PTS.
Chinese R.C. (B)	8	7	1	7
Indian R.C. (A)	6	6	0	6
Chinese R.C. (A)	5	5	0	5
Civil Service C.C.	9	5	4	5
Hongkong C.C.	6	4	2	4
Kowloon C.C. (A)	7	4	3	4
Indian R.C. (B)	7	4	3	4
U.S.R.C.	5	3	2	3
University	6	2	4	2
Club de Recreio	5	2	3	2
Kowloon C.C. (B)	8	1	7	1
Craigengower C.C. (A)	1	1	1	1
Netherlands C.C.	7	1	6	1
Craigengower C.C. (B)	5	0	5	0

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Derbyshire	7	55	12.73

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## U. S. BASEBALL.

## LEAGUE RESULTS.

(Reuter's Service)

New York, July 1.—Matches played yesterday resulted as follows:—

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

New York..... 6 Brooklyn..... 0  
Boston..... 6 Philadelphia..... 9  
Cincinnati..... 3 Chicago..... 3  
St. Louis..... 5 Pittsburgh..... 2

AMERICAN LEAGUE.

Philadelphia..... 0 New York..... 7  
Philadelphia..... 10 New York..... 3  
Washington..... 2 Boston..... 1  
Washington..... 5 Boston..... 6  
Detroit..... 12 Chicago..... 3  
Cleveland..... 6 St. Louis..... 4  
Cleveland..... 8 St. Louis..... 2

## FURTHER MATCHES.

NEW YORK, July 2.

The following are yesterday's results:—

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

New York..... 6 Brooklyn..... 0  
Chicago..... 4 Cincinnati..... 3  
Philadelphia..... 9 Boston..... 6  
St. Louis..... 5 Pittsburgh..... 2

AMERICAN LEAGUE.

New York..... 7 Philadelphia..... 1  
Washington..... 2 Boston..... 0  
Washington..... 5 Boston..... 0  
Cleveland..... 6 St. Louis..... 4  
Cleveland..... 8 St. Louis..... 2  
Detroit..... 13 Chicago..... 3  
These games were double-headers.

TO-DAY'S  
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## RELIGION.

COMMON PEOPLE AND  
FLOCK IDEAS.

The following sermon was preached by the Rev. Clonston Port, at the Wesleyan Church last Sunday:

"And they were all amazed and were in doubt. . . . Others mocking said, 'These men are full of new wine.' Acts: 2.12.13.

What the man in the street thinks about religion may be interesting enough to be given a place in the Press, but it is doubtful whether his opinions will be considered a permanent contribution to religious thought. The ordinary man is supposed to belong to the flock which has been shepherded for many centuries; any departure from flock ideas should be regarded as straying from the fold. The common people are not expected to have their own views about religion. They may be blessed with a certain amount of common sense which serves them sufficiently well for the practical affairs of life but such sense is of questionable value when applied to matters of religion and the Church. The opinions of the crowd about religion would be as trustworthy as those about religion.

The New Testament resembles the newspaper in one respect at least, it finds a place for what the man in the street thought about religion. Jesus found the multitudes "as sheep having no shepherd" on which account, we may suppose they had their ideas. The common people heard him gladly. Followed him, would have become his flock, but the shepherd became active, and made Jesus, "the good shepherd" who laid down his life for the sheep. The common sense of the crowd approved Jesus, and his doctrine. Jesus in return believed in the common people, chose from their number his disciples, associated them with himself in founding the Kingdom of God and thus formed the first "Labour Ministry."

What the man in the street thought on the day of Pentecost, when Christianity appeared in the world as the religion of spirit and power St. Luke, the historian considered of sufficient interest to include in his book. The impression produced on the crowd by the happenings on that epoch-making day are not unworthy of careful analysis by those of us who are seeking to learn the secret of an original spiritual impulse and power.

It must be observed that Mass-Views, especially those about religion, are found to depend more largely upon circumstances than convictions. This makes them more variable and bewildering. An August Bank holiday crowd enjoying the sunshine in Hyde Park will listen indulgently to an open air preacher and good-humouredly express opinions. The same preacher may give his address to a crowd of unemployed on a dull day in the drab East End of London and the opinions mightily muttered will differ from those heard in the Park.

The crowds which thronged the streets of Jerusalem at the feast of the Passover, included multitudes from Galilee who had approved Jesus and welcomed him to the City as the Messiah. The streets, however, rung with their murderous cry "Crucify Him; Crucify Him." The feast was both national and religious. The pride of the patriot suffered, the commemoration reminded him of the nation's glorious past. The presence of the Roman Governor and his legionaries humiliated him. His visions of the splendours of the coming Messianic Kingdom with Jesus as King had been eclipsed. Through the Temple Courts flowed deep streams of blood from lambs slaughtered to make a feast. When Pilate cried:—"I am innocent of the blood of this just one"—the crowd retorted:—"His blood be upon us."

What was the blood of one man on that day of blood-shedding? The crowds which returned to Jerusalem seven weeks later for Pentecost; were fresh from the harvest fields present in their hundreds of thousands to celebrate the feast. The occasion was one of joyous reunions and festive celebrations. A good humoured crowd, they felt

thankful for the blessings of the fields and grateful to the Lord of the Harvest; their labours for the season ended, they were out to enjoy to the full the feast.

The presence of the disciples of Jesus at the feast was natural and expected. The youth and manhood of the nation gathered there for the celebration. What would have been unexpected and unnatural was that the disciples should make themselves conspicuous after what had occurred at the previous feast. The expected happened. They became suddenly and recklessly conspicuous. The report spread through the city, a mighty crowd collected, what they saw and heard filled them with wonder and amazement.

The crowd was bent on enjoyment, the wine would flow freely; it had flowed freely they thought into the disciples' cups. The eleven had become conspicuous after drowning their sorrows and disillusionment in wine. The juice of the grapes had robbed them of their fears and supplied the courage they lacked at the Passover. The Galileans were speaking strange words, words which have not lost their strangeness; wine had loosened their tongues, which caution had previously made dumb.

The eleven were publishing "the wonderful works of God," had they been praising the God of Harvest for his gifts of corn and wine they might have understood. They had chosen a joyous feast day to resurrect a dead Jesus. Wine alone could have inflamed their imagination. The good-humoured mockers in the crowd expressed in jest what the men who filled the street thought:—"These men are full of new wine." Common sense judged that if the disciples had been sober they would have been cautious and inconspicuous. They would have kept silent if they had not been drunk. If wine had not made them inconspicuous they would not have chosen the early hours of a joyous holiday occasion to preach sermons about One who had been ignominiously crucified at the previous feast. They concluded that the new wine partaken freely had robbed them of their wits, and falsely inspired them. Under the influence of drink they had lost control of limb, lip and mind. They had become absolutely irresponsible. "These men are full of new wine," if it was mockery, it was; we believe, good-humoured and in the spirit of the feast.

The impression thus produced upon the crowd and recorded as significant by the historian St. Luke, is suggestive enough to merit analysis. If it means anything, it means this, that to all appearance, the religion of spirit and power acted upon those who "were filled with the Holy Spirit" after the manner of wine. St. Peter reports, "These are not drunken as ye suppose, seeing that it is but the third hour of the day, nine o'clock in the morning."

But there is that which was spoken by the prophet Joel. "I will pour out of My Spirit upon all flesh:—He hath shed forth this which ye see and hear." St. Paul had occasion to write to the Ephesians, "Be not drunk with wine wherein is excess; but be ye filled with the Spirit." Religion is the wine of life. The Spirit of God is the wine of religion. The influence of His inspiration fill men with wonder and amazement. The mocker who knows the influence of the blood of the grapes finds a resemblance.

There is an appearance of irresponsibility at once salutary and refreshing about men and women whose religion goes to their hearts and heads after the manner of wine. They become unlike other people, they even become unlike themselves. They are misunderstood and misjudged; some say they are intoxicated in an apostolic manner, others that they are "besides themselves" in the way. His relatives thought Jesus was a King and St. Paul thought the man in the street judges the spiritual man, to-day.

Their world, their circle of acquaintances, their group of friends observe of religious men and women of a well-known type a loss of self-control. People of this type are seen to be as much under the influence of religion as the drunkard is under the influence of liquor. They are as conspicuously religious among the ordinary

church members as a man may be conspicuously drunk among a party of sober folk. Religion is their chief and sole concern. It becomes the one aim and purpose of their life. The interests of the family, the social circle, the business world are all subordinated to the one dominating interest of the spiritual. Such people have no Sundays in their life because they have no week days. They make no distinction between the secular and the sacred, their daily tasks are as much their "Heavenly Father's business" as the services of the church.

The ordinary churchgoer observes a lack of proportion, a want of balance and a concern about spiritual things which is as excessive as an obsession. The mocker is not silent. "If they have called the master of the house 'Beelzebub' said Jesus, how much more shall they call them of his household."

Men and women into whose lives religion comes as spirit and power appear to lose their power of self-control only because that power is heightened; the actual loss is of self-concern which makes others the slaves of appearances and material things.

The disciples of Jesus were inconspicuous at the Passover because they were most concerned about themselves, and their safety; the apostles of the Living Christ were conspicuous—recklessly, conspicuously—at Pentecost, not because they had found the courage of the coward but because they had lost in the largest interest of the Kingdom their self-regarding, self-respecting, self-concern. "Where the Spirit of the Lord is there is liberty," the highest freedom of all is self-freedom.

Christians in whom the Spirit of God dwells in fullness are not only different from others, they are in different to the things by which others are enclosed. In the days of persecution and intolerance they showed a heroic indifference to risks and dangers.

In the 20th Century, they are utterly indifferent to opinion private or public, friendly and unfriendly. Among the minority which holds that the ideals of the Kingdom of God for which Jesus of Nazareth died, are a present challenge, they show themselves totally indifferent to losses, they may suffer socially, economically or politically by their loyalty to the larger Christian principles.

They appear conspicuous because self in them has become inconspicuous. They seem irresponsible because they have achieved the higher responsibility to God and not to man. They have found deliverance from the power which conflicts with the power of God which is the power of self-concern. They are no longer slaves to that most humiliating concern as to what others may think, may say and may do. Religion is to them the wine of life and the Spirit of God the wine of religion.

"Ye shall be hated of all men for My Name's sake," said Jesus. Something, however, much less than hatred closed the Kingdom to many who believed. Nevertheless among the chief rulers also many believed on Him, but because of the Pharisees, they did not confess Him, lest they should be put out of the synagogue. For they loved the praise of men more than the praise of God."

The man in the street on the day of Pentecost thought that the Apostles of Jesus were full of new wine, ingloriously drunk, refreshingly indifferent and vaingloriously irresponsible! We can understand that the crowd-opinion accorded with the spirit of the feast. The popular impression becomes intelligible to us as we conceive the Spirit of God to be the wine of religion and religion to be the wine of life.

At the last meeting of the General Committee of the Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce, a handsome solid silver salver of elegant design, presented by the Government of Hong Kong to Mr. D. K. Blair, Secretary of the Chamber, now on sick leave, was exhibited for the inspection of members and was much admired. The silver bears in the centre the Badge of the Colony and the inscription "Presented to David Keay Blair by the Government of Hong Kong as a token of their appreciation of his valuable services. 30th March 1924."

## CHEFOO NOTES.

## NEW HOTEL OPENS.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

CHEFOO, June 23. Several of the men involved in the attempt to capture the gun-boat "Hoi Chi," which I referred to in my last letter, have been captured by the local soldiers and police, and are now awaiting trial. They are said to be men from several provinces, and it is generally thought that they were men working on their own, who hoped after securing the gun-boat to sell her to the highest bidder.

In the final of the Customs Club Billiard Competition Mr. Singer beat Mr. Villers, securing 250 points to the latter's 220.

Our Summer visitors are arriving rapidly, and the new up-to-date Hotel, the Broadway, is now open, and filling up well. This Hotel should fill a great need, and we trust the Management will meet with the success they deserve. Mrs. Travers, who is well known in Wei-hai-wai, and other China coast ports, is in charge.

Owing to the early advent of the American Fleet the Residents of Chefoo have signed a petition to H. E. the Tao Yin, the highest Chinese civil official here, to request that he will close down all the brothels and any disreputable bars in Section 1, which is the Foreign Settlement. Owing to most of these places having already secured their licences, the petition will probably not be of much use this year, but if the same Tao Yin is still here next year there is every possibility that these places will then not be allowed to re-open.

The Indo-China Steam Navigation Company Ltd., have just commenced running a new vessel on the Shanghai-Wei-hai-Chefoo and Tientsin run, the s.s. "Lien-shing." This vessel left Shanghai on the 11th on her maiden trip, and arrived here on the 13th.

As she arrived and left quite early in the morning not very many saw her come in, but those who did seemed to be rightly impressed. The "Lien-shing," is under the command of Captain J. V. Simpson, and should prove a valuable addition to Jarding fleet.

Our local Volunteer Fire Brigade, under the command of Mr. A. R. Hogg, held a display on the 10th inst. when A. B. C. and D. companies showed themselves to be very efficient.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Brown, and Mr. and Mrs. Hazard, of the Navy Y.M.C.A. Headquarters in Shanghai, have arrived here and opened up the Chefoo Navy Y., so as to be ready for the American fleet on its arrival. The U.S.S. "Huron," and two supply ships are expected during this week, and the rest of the fleet about the beginning of next month.

On Wednesday, the 18th., the Navy Y.M.C.A. Committee, comprised of various local residents, were at home to the residents of Chefoo, from four to six-thirty p.m., at the Navy Y. Headquarters here. Those present, were first regaled with tea, also having an opportunity of looking over the premises, and at 5 p.m., assembled together in the big tent where a Musical programme and speeches took place. One could almost say that the whole of Chefoo was present, everyone being there who could possibly go. Speeches were made by among others, Mr. J. N. Putnam, the U.S. Consul here, and also by Rev. T. Riddle, A. M., the Chaplain to the Asiatic Fleet. Mr. Riddle's address was first a "thank you" to the residents of Chefoo for what they have done for the Fleet in past years, and what they are doing and are about to do this; and secondly it was an appeal to all to remember that anyone else, and as human as anyone else, and thoroughly appreciates all the kindness shown him although he may occasionally go "on the jag" and "raise the devil."

In the evening the Y. entertained local residents to a cinema, which was thoroughly appreciated by those present. On Saturday, 14th inst., the Cricket Club and the Boys' School again met each other on the School's Field. The Club batted first, and made 71, Gordon Burnett securing four wickets, Moore 3, Fiddler 2 and Ford one. The School were without several of their usual eleven, and when it came to their turn to bat, were dismissed for 51, the Cricket Club thus securing their first win this season. The Club's fielding was good; Mr. Graham secured five wickets for 12 runs.

Gordon C. Burnett was awarded his School Cricket Colours on the 16th for good bowling, and consistent play. Those who have not seen "Kisses," the current Queen's Theatre attraction, will have their last opportunity of doing so to-morrow night. This film is a comedy-drama by Metro with Alice Lake in the star role. She gives a sterling performance as the society girl who becomes a manufacturer of candy kisses and ends by winning the affection of a young salesman who took a material part in her enterprise. Miss Lake is just as pretty and appropriately humorous as when she was featured in Mack Sennett's bathing comedies.

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### "SOWING THE WIND."

CORONET THEATRE'S FINE  
PICTURE.

Baldy stated the story of "Sowing the Wind," the Coronet Theatre's new feature attraction is simply this: "There is a mother who has chosen the Primrose path of life, and a daughter who has fought against her circumstances. Baldy stated, the story of "Mrs. Warren's Profession" does not amount to much more than that. But just as Bernard Shaw's great play abounds in dramatic incidents, so does this new screen drama of modern society life. Nor does the comparison end here. "Sowing the Wind" has also achieved fame as a stage play, having been a celebrated success at the Empire Theatre. As a stage play, however, "Sowing the Wind" lacked many of the little comedy touches that afford delightful contrast in the heavy drama of the movie production. Similarly as a stage play the story was presented without the riotous splendour of the great gaming house scenes, the sordid poverty of the opium joint, the magnificence of the proud country home, and the many other notably realistic settings. And although it might be argued that the story loses through the silence of the screen, this is more than counteracted by the fine acting of the leading players, Anita Stewart as the daughter who turns from the vanities of the hectic life of pleasure to become a great actress; Myrtle Stedman as the mother who queens it over the glittering follies of the gaming palace only to die later in abject misery; Ned Annersley as the determined youngster who woos the actress against his foster father's bitter opposition; and Ralph Lewis as the stern, embittered foster parent who is the victim of the intensely dramatic surprise that constitutes the great climax of the picture. "Sowing the Wind" the film is called, but it might have been named even more aptly, "Reaping the Whirlwind."

### QUEEN'S THEATRE.

Those who have not seen "Kisses," the current Queen's Theatre attraction, will have their last opportunity of doing so to-morrow night. This film is a comedy-drama by Metro with Alice Lake in the star role. She gives a sterling performance as the society girl who becomes a manufacturer of candy kisses and ends by winning the affection of a young salesman who took a material part in her enterprise. Miss Lake is just as pretty and appropriately humorous as when she was featured in Mack Sennett's bathing comedies.



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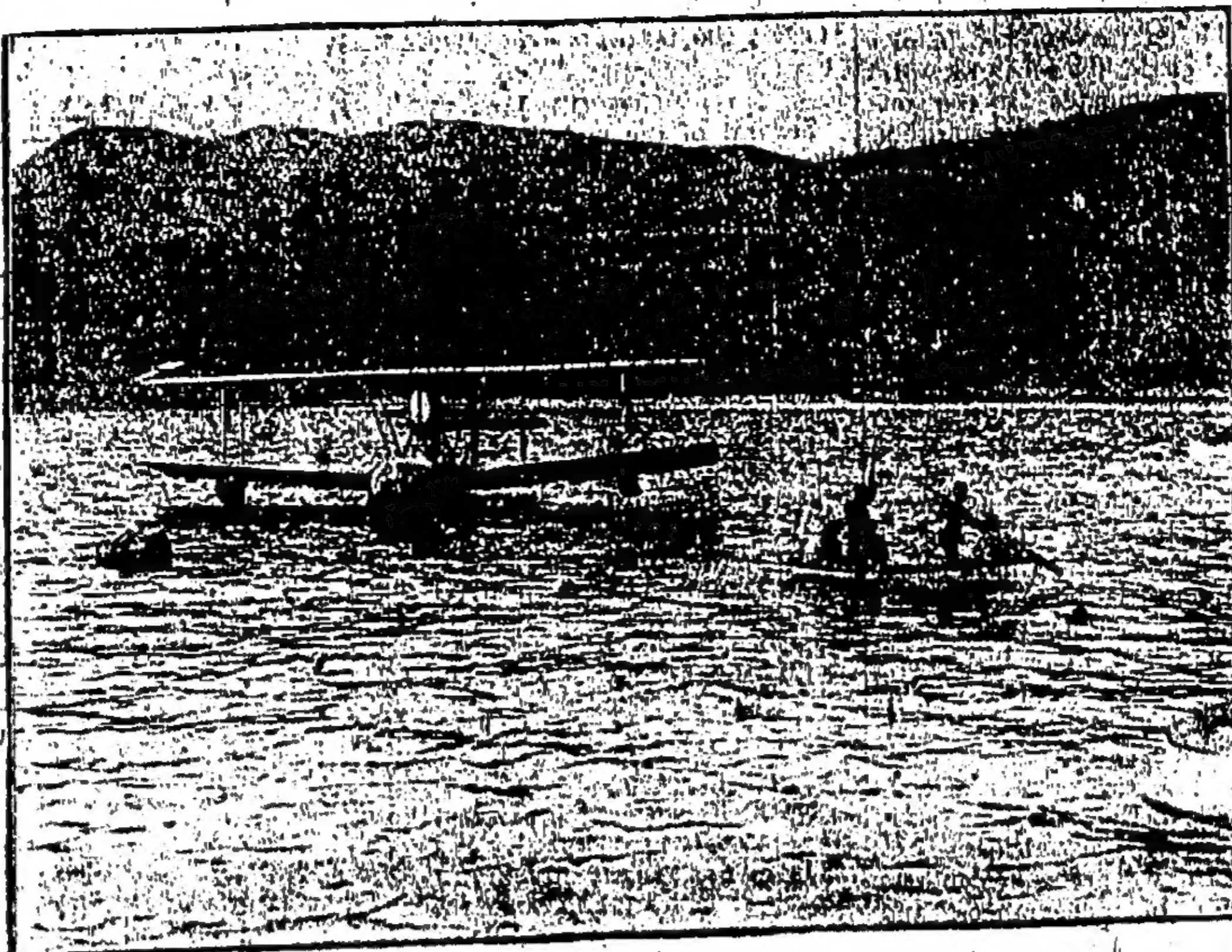


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Squadron Leader MacLaren, Flying Officer Plenderleith and Sergeant Andrews being paddled to the launch after their plane had been securely moored and carefully covered over.



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